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In Re  
Application No. 09/804,621  
Serge Willenegger, et al.

) For: SUBCHANNEL CONTROL  
) LOOP

Customer No. 23696  
Attorney Docket No. PA363DIVC1

Filed: March 12, 2001

) Group No. 2661

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Assistant Commissioner:

The following is a preliminary amendment of the above identified application which is a Rule 1.53(b) continuation application of parent Application Serial No. 09/353,895 filed July 15, 1999 entitled " SUBCHANNEL CONTROL LOOP." Please amend the above identified application as follows:

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